From the foregoing detailed description, it will be evident

that there are a number of changes, adaptations and

modifications of the present invention which come within the

province of those persons having ordinary skill in the art

to which the aforementioned invention pertains. However, it

is intended that all such variations not departing from the

spirit of the invention be considered as within the scope

thereof as limited solely by the appended claims.

The claims are:

    1.   A method of requesting and collecting information

from a network via an information account of a system,

comprising a plurality of steps of:

    making a request by indicating a type of information to

be collected;

    entering a duration in which the request is active.

    2.   The method of claim 1, further comprising a step

of:

    receiving in the information account a result obtained

from the network in response to the request.

    3.   The method of claim 1, further comprising a step

of:

1   maintaining a record to capture the request and a

2   result obtained from the network in response to the request.

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4   4.   The method of claim 3, further comprising a step

5   of:

6   determining an amount of result in the record.

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8   5.   The method of claim 3, wherein a utility analyzes

9   behaviors of a requester making the request in view of the

10 record.

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12   6.   The method of claim 1, further comprising a step

13 of:

14   determining an actual duration the request stayed

15 active.

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17   7.   The method of claim 1, further comprising a step

18 of:

19   taking an action based on the result obtained from the

20 network in response to the request.

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22   8.   The method of claim 7, further comprising a step

23 of:

24   categorizing the action taken after receipt of the

25 results.

9. The method of claim 7, wherein the action is one of made a purchase, not made a purchase, continued to make the request, modified the request, purchased within a time range and abandoned the request.

10. The method of claim 1, further comprising a step of:

inputting one of various levels of readiness to buy and a purchase intentionality index.

11. The method of claim 1, further comprising a step of:

entering one of a usage intentionality index.

12. The method of claim 11, further comprising a step of:

determining whether to issue one of an electronic refund and a coupon voucher based on one of the purchase intentionality status, the purchased intentionality index and the usage intentionality index.

13. The method of claim 1, further comprising a step of:

1   specifying one of a destination and a plurality of

2 destinations regarding where a result of the request is to

3 be delivered to.

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5   14. The method of claim 1, wherein an origin of where

6 the request is initiated from is insulated from the network.

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8   15. The method of claim 1, wherein the request

9 comprises a plurality of request parameters.

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11   16. The method of claim 1, wherein the duration is

12 preset for one of a future activation date and a future cut-

13 off date.

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15   17. The method of claim 1, further comprising a step

16 of:

17   specifying a time the request is made known to the

18 network.

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20   18. The method of claim 1, further comprising a step

21 of:

22   entering a quantity of information desired as expressed

23 in one of a fixed number and a range.

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1   19. The method of claim 1, further comprising a step

2 of:

3   entering a preferred method of transmission as

4 expressed in a transmission rate.

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6   20. The method of claim 1, further comprising a step

7 of:

8   entering a preferred method of transmission suitable

9 for a particular type of receiving terminus.

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11   21. The method of claim 1, further comprising a step

12 of:

13   entering a geographic region where the type of

14 information is to be collected from.

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16   22. The method of claim 1, further comprising a step

17 of:

18   specifying a certain promotional type which the type of

19 information is to be collected from.

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21   23. The method of claim 1, further comprising a step

22 of:

23   specifying a source of origin where the type of

24 information is to be collected from.

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1   24.   The method of claim 1, further comprising a step

2   of:

3   specifying the type of information must be collected

4   from a source accepting a certain transaction method.

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6   25.   The method of claim 1, further comprising a step

7   of:

8   entering a delivery priority of the type of information

9   based on a plurality of terminus.

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11   26.   The method of claim 15, further comprising a step

12   of:

13   ranking a plurality of results based on how close each

14   result matches the plurality of request parameters.

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16   27.   The method of claim 15, further comprising a step

17   of:

18   entering a priority of delivery based on how well a

19   plurality of results matches the specified request

20   parameters.

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22   28.   The method of claim 1, further comprising a step

23   of:

24   specifying a time the type of information should be

25   delivered to the information account.

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2   29.   The method of claim 1, further comprising a step

3   of:

4   specifying a repetitive pattern the type of information

5   should be delivered to the information account.

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7   30.   The method of claim 1, wherein the account

8   comprises an electronic mail (email) account, an instant

9   messaging account, a wireless short messaging account, a

10   wireless account, a cellular telephone account, a paging

11   account, a facsimile number, a voice mailbox, a bulletin

12   board, an addressable TV terminus address, a posting address

13   and a print out address.

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15   31.   The method of claim 1, wherein the type of

16   information is indicated by one of selecting from an index

17   with a mouse, entering from a keyboard and entering orally

18   with a microphone.

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20   32.   The method of claim 1, wherein the type of

21   information is searched from one of a public domain resource

22   and a private domain resource.

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1   33.   The method of claim 1, wherein the duration is

2 measured in one of seconds, minutes, hours, days, weeks,

3 months, years, and a combination thereof.

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5   34.   The method of claim 1, further comprising a step

6 of:

7   entering an update interval of the request.

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9   35.   The method of claim 34, wherein the update

10 interval is measured in one of seconds, minutes, hours,

11 days, weeks, months, years, and a combination thereof.

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13   36.   The method of claim 1, further comprising a step

14 of:

15   specifying a format of a result.

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17   37.   The method of claim 36, wherein the format

18 comprises HTML/PIX, Video, Audio, Text, ASCII, TIFF, JPEG

19 and other formats used in the digital transmission of data.

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21   38.   The method of claim 1, further comprising a step

22 of:

23   specifying whether a related subject of the type of

24 information is desired

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1   39.   The method of claim 1, further comprising a step

2 of:

3   specifying whether the search should be conducted in

4 one of a public domain resource, a private domain resource,

5 and a combination thereof.

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7   40.   The method of claim 39, further comprising a step

8 of:

9   taking payment information from a requester via one of

10 a micro-payment system, billing or credit card system.

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12   41.   The method of claim 1, further comprising a step

13 of:

14   receiving a result of the requested type of information

15 in the account in a specified format at a specified update

16 interval within the duration the request is active, in a

17 quantity desired and according to a priority and a

18 preference.

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20   42.   The method of claim 1, wherein the method is

21 implemented on one of an instant messaging utility, a

22 wireless messaging utility (WAP or other), an electronic

23 mail utility, a paging utility, a facsimile utility, a voice

24 mail utility, a bulletin board utility, a printer utility, a

25 browser utility, a cable utility, a satellite utility, a

1 digital broadcast utility, a television system utility, a

2 web-TV utility and an Internet utility.

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4   43.   The method of claim 1, wherein the request is

5 transmitted via one of a 2-way addressable television

6 system, or a hybrid system where download is via a broadband

7 signal and upload is via telephone, a cable system, an

8 Internet system, an Intranet system, a satellite system, a

9 Web-TV system and a digital broadcast system, a local area

10 network and a wide area network.

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12   44.   The method of claim 1, wherein the method is

13 implemented on a computer system in one of an always active

14 mode and a launched upon request mode.

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16   45.   The method of claim 1, wherein the method is

17 integrated as a request utility as part of one of a web site

18 and a portal.

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20   46.   The method of claim 1, wherein a requester's

21 identity is concealed from an origin providing a result

22 relevant to the request.

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24   47.   The method of claim 1, further comprising a step

25 of:

1   designating automatic forwarding of requested

2   informational/advertising e-mails to one of a single party,

3   a plurality of parties, an existing carbon copy (cc) list,

4   and a newly created distribution list of e-mail recipients.

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6   48.   The method of claim 1, further comprising a step

7   of:

8   paying for a result relevant to the request by one of a

9   micro-payment, billing, and credit card system.

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11   49.   The method of claim 1, wherein the system captures

12   a requester behavior with respect to a result delivered to

13   the requester.

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15   50.   The method of claim 49, wherein the requester

16   behavior comprises opening the result, saving the result,

17   deleting the result, forwarding the result, responding to

18   the result, making a purchase transaction via email in

19   response to the result, registering for any offer in

20   response to the result and archiving the result.

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22   51.   The method of claim 1, wherein should the request

23   fail to specify any preferences or request criteria, default

24   preferences or request criteria are imposed by the system.

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1   52.   The method of claim 51, wherein the default

2   preferences or request criteria are based on one of an

3   average preferences or request criteria of the account in

4   the type of information, an average preferences or request

5   criteria of the overall account, an average preferences or

6   request criteria of the system in the type of information,

7   and an average preferences or request criteria of the

8   overall system.

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10   53.   The method of claim 1, wherein a result of the

11   request can only reach the account with one of a digital

12   key, a certificate for permitted access and a password

13   recognized by a lookup table.

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15   54.   A communication system, comprising:

16   a subscriber system;

17   a supplier system;

18   an information memory system;

19   an information exchange system;

20   a clearinghouse system; and

21   a network;

22   wherein the subscriber system, the supplier system, the

23   information memory system, the information exchange system;

24   the clearinghouse system are interconnected through the

25   network.

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2   55. The communication system of claim 54, wherein data

3 of the system are intercommunicated among the subscriber

4 system, the supplier system, the information memory system,

5 the information exchange system, the clearinghouse system

6 and the network.

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8   56. The communication system of claim 54, wherein a

9 subscriber account communicatively connected to the

10 subscriber system makes a request of information having a

11 specified characteristic to the subscriber system.

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13   57. The communication system of claim 56, wherein a

14 supplier account communicatively connected to the supplier

15 system provides a supply of information having an indicated

16 characteristic.

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18   58. The communication system of claim 57, wherein the

19 information exchange system upon finding a match between the

20 specified characteristic and the indicated characteristic,

21 causes the communication system to transfer the supplied

22 information to the subscriber account.

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1   59. The communication system of claim 58, wherein the

2   information exchange system informs the clearinghouse system

3   that the request of information has been fulfilled.

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5   60. The communication system of claim 59, wherein the

6   clearinghouse system registers a charge against the

7   subscriber account.

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9   61. The communication system of claim 54, wherein the

10   network is one of a local area network, a wide area network

11   or an Internet.

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13   62. The communication system of claim 58, wherein the

14   match is one of an exact match and a varying degree of

15   match.

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17   63. The communication system of claim 56, wherein the

18   request of information having the specified characteristic

19   is communicated to a plurality of supplier correspondingly

20   having a plurality of supplier accounts communicatively

21   connected to the supplier system.

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23   64. A communication system, comprising:

24   a dynamic request data system is communicatively

25   connected to an Internet;

1   an information control panel is communicatively

2 connected to the dynamic request data system;

3   an email account is communicatively connected to the

4 dynamic request data system;

5   an information supplier system is communicatively

6 connected to the dynamic request data system;

7   wherein the dynamic request data system upon receiving

8 a request via the information control panel, initiates a

9 search in one of the internet and the information supplier

10 system and delivers information fulfilling the request to

11 the email account.

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